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AYDEN, N. C.,

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Feb. 12th, 1924.

Hon. H. S. Ward, M. C.,  
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Friend Ward:-

It was with the keenest regret that I read your article in the News and Observer, announcing your decision not to be a candidate to succeed yourself to the United States Congress, and for several days thereafter I thought to write you expressing my regrets to you; however your letter of the 9th inst. reached me before I put my intentions into effect.

I very much appreciate your letter and its frankness and I have this to say-while I regret that you have decided not to be a candidate, yet it has been a source of pleasure that I gave such support as I was able to give in your behalf.

If at any time, in public or private, I can, in my feeble way, be of service to you it will be considered a favor for you to call on me.

I alway think a man should consider his own house-hold before he does others and I trust that your going to Congress has broadned your usefulness in your future undertakings to such a large extent that you will never have cause for having made the race and won.

With very best wishes for your future welfare,

I am,

Yours very truly,

